

IN RECOGNITION OF LETRENT'S
PHARMACY

HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 18, 2022

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Letrent's Pharmacy as they celebrate their 50th anniversary of serving the people of Bedford, Pennsylvania. For 50 years, Letrent's Pharmacy has served the people in that community with the utmost care and consideration. The pharmacy has been a family owned and operated business since Richard Letrent opened the pharmacy in 1972 after spending 5 years in another location not too far from his current flagship store.

Richard, his wife Connie and their daughter, Connie are all proud alumni of Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, and their tight-knit family make up three of the five practicing pharmacists at Letrent's.

Throughout the time they have operated the pharmacy, the Letrent's have dedicated themselves to ensuring the health and wellness of the Bedford County community.

On behalf of the people of Pennsylvania's 13th Congressional District it is my honor to wish the Letrent family a happy 50th anniversary, and many, many more to come. Congratulations on this incredible milestone.

CELEBRATING THE LEGACY AND
MINISTRY OF THE FIRST PRES-
BYTERIAN CHURCH OF COLO-
RADO SPRINGS

HON. DOUG LAMBORN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LAMBORN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the legacy and ministry of the First Presbyterian Church of Colorado Springs.

2022 marks First Pres's 150th year of ministry to Colorado Springs. This congregation has distinguished itself as a church after God's own heart in that time. To quote one of its former pastors, First Presbyterian is "a church rich in fellowship, broad in outreach, evangelical in spirit, and generous in attitude."

Founded in 1872, this church has been a pillar to our community since its inception. It has faithfully ministered to over six generations of Coloradans with one straightforward mission; to reflect the love of Jesus Christ into their community.

Their congregation has demonstrated this time and time again through their generous philanthropic efforts and numerous community partnerships. They donate millions of dollars annually to local engagement, proudly partnering with over 18 local missions and non-profits. Together, they help fight against the prevalent problems facing our community, such as homelessness, food insecurity, and the absence of affordable healthcare and housing.

This church truly embodies the principle found in Acts 20:35, "it is more blessed to give than receive." The members of this church live out what it means to love their

neighbor as themselves for the sake of the Gospel.

It is undeniable that First Pres has helped to shape the life and soul of Colorado Springs from a frontier town into the nationally acclaimed city on the hill that it is today.

As we look forward to many more generations of life-changing ministry, I'm honored to gratefully reflect on the last 150 years of impactful work that God has done through First Presbyterian Church of Colorado Springs. I ask that my colleagues in Congress join me in honoring this institution of faith and grace.

REMEMBERING GARY LEE
GUTELIUS

HON. TIM RYAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 18, 2022

Mr. RYAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of my dear friend Gary Lee Gutelius, who passed away on Saturday, February 12, 2022, at the age of 74. We are all heartbroken by his passing because he was the friend that was always there to help and support. It didn't matter the cause or the event, Gary showed up. He understood that the best lives lived are those of service. He knew how to be a friend even in tough times. His death is a blow to our entire community, and we all need to do more for each other to try to make up for this tremendous loss.

He was born on February 12, 1948, in Warren, the second son of the late Harold and Ruth Harsh Gutelius. Gary was a 1966 graduate of Warren G. Harding High School. After graduating, Gary was drafted into the United States Army in 1967, serving with the 101st Airborne Division in the Vietnam War. During his tour, Gary took part in Operation Apache Snow, where he was wounded at the Battle of Hamburger Hill. For his meritorious service during his service, he would receive the Bronze Star medal and the Purple Heart.

After returning home, Gary would become a well-known figure in our community, especially with veterans. He would work for Packard Electric from 1970 to 2006 and serve as president of their veteran's committee for 16 years. Gary belonged to many different veteran organizations, including being a lifetime member of: D.A.V. Chapter 11, the VFW Post 1090, the Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter 606 where he served as Senior Vice Commander, the Vietnam Veterans of America, the American Legion Post 540 and the Amvets Post 290. Gary headed up the Veterans Day and Memorial Day committee for Trumbull County, as well as organized volunteers every year to decorate the veterans' graves for Memorial Day. He was also one of five individuals responsible for bringing the Vietnam Wall That Heals to Warren. Gary became a veteran services commissioner in 2013 and was honored as a Tribune Chronicle "Community Star" and received the Valley Legacy award in 2014. In 2018, Gary had the honor of placing a wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery on the 100th anniversary of Veterans Day.

He was a member of Grace United Methodist Church of Warren and enjoyed boating, skiing, and hunting. Gary had dreams of restoring his cherished MG car and was a finan-

cial supporter for the restoration and upkeep of the Gutelius home and museum in Mifflinburg, Pennsylvania.

He was predeceased by his parents, Harold Gutelius and Ruth Harsh Gutelius. He is survived by his siblings, Dan Gutelius (Pat) of Canfield; his girlfriend Anna Marie Rosasco of Champion; his nephew Steve Gutelius (Marissa) of Howland; his niece Beth Kant (Adam) of Cortland; his great-nephews, Jackson and Dylan; and his great-niece Lyla.

HONORING STAFF SERGEANT
BRIAN C. DARLING

HON. ANDY KIM

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 18, 2022

Mr. KIM of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Staff Sergeant Brian C. Darling, who recently retired after nearly three decades in the United States Army and the New Jersey Army National Guard.

Brian grew up in Manchester, NJ, and was inspired by his familial legacy of service. He decided to carry that torch himself and enlisted in the active-duty Army in 1995. Brian was deployed overseas for several years as a Paralegal Specialist where he provided legal and administrative support to the Army's legal team. Over the course of his service, he served tours in Iraq in 2008, Afghanistan in 2010, and Qatar from 2014–2015. He spent the past year as an active part of the Army's mission to fight COVID-19 and is retiring at the rank of Staff Sergeant. Brian's service hasn't ended with his retirement, he continues to be a valued schoolteacher in the Central Regional School District of Bayville, New Jersey.

I would like to formally thank Staff Sergeant Darling for his service to the United States of America and his continued contributions to our community.

IN RECOGNITION OF SILVIA
MIRANDA

HON. TERESA LEGER FERNANDEZ

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 18, 2022

Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor Ms. Silvia Miranda of Mesa Elementary School in Clovis, New Mexico, for her incredible commitment to New Mexico's children, schools, and community.

The National Science Foundation (NSF) recently awarded Ms. Miranda the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST). The award program is administered by NSF on behalf of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy to recognize the invaluable contributions of exceptional K–12 science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and computer science teachers. It is the highest honor our nation can bestow to a math or science teacher.

This prestigious award is only one of many things Ms. Miranda has achieved over her illustrious career. The award echoes the praise